

HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MINUTES FOR SPC MEETING ON
WED 8TH DECEMBER 2021

Attendance

Mary Callaghan

Donna Cooney

Maíre Devine

Daithí Doolan

Pat Dunne

Alison Gilliland – Lord Mayor

James Geoghegan

Dermot Lacey (CP)

Briega MacOscar

Cieran Perry

Catherine Stocker

Karen Murphy - ICSH

Kevin Byrne - SGCRA

Pat Greene - DSC

Mike Allen - FI

Claire McManus - JFOC

Apologies

Tina MacVeigh

Eimer McCormack

Colm O'Rourke

Aine Wellard - VVI

Other Councillors in attendance

Deirdre Heney

Naoise Ó'Muirí

Mannix Flynn

Patricia Roe

Dublin City Council Officials

David Dinnigan, A/Assistant Chief Executive

Mary Hayes, Executive Manager

Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager

Michelle Robinson, A/Executive Manager

Alice Simington, Senior Executive Officer

Shane Hawkshaw, Senior Executive Engineer

Aisling Browne, Administrative Officer

1. Minutes of meeting dated Wednesday 10th November and matters arising

Agreed : Minutes Agreed

2. Chairpersons Business

- i. Correspondence

Agreed : N/A

3. Traveller Accommodation

Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager

- LTACC upcoming meeting
- Site Updates – St. Margaret's & Labre Park
- Staffing review
- Funding & Procurement
- Contractor Oversight
- BTAP meeting update
- Collaboration with other Local Authorities

Agreed : Discuss point 3 & 5i in tandem

Agreed : Update Noted

4. Housing Management Update

i. Report on Housing Supply

The following themes were discussed;

- Action Plan
- Sons of Divine Providence Site update
- KPMG report
- Affordable Housing/Purchase
- Approved Housing Body (AHB) Collaboration
- Cost Rental
- Sustainable Housing
- Funding Mechanisms
- Available Land Banks
- Part V
- Lar Redmond Centre Update
- Voids Turnaround Timeframe
- Social Housing
- Garda Vetting
- Poolbeg Strategic Development Zone (SDZ) & Charlemont updates

Agreed : Discuss agenda points 4i & 4iv simultaneously

Agreed : Action Plan to be brought to a future SPC meeting

Agreed : KPMG report to be circulated to members

ii. Report on Homelessness

Members thanked DRHE staff for their ongoing support.

The following themes were discussed;

- Factors affecting homeless figures
- Homeless Single People
- Current Emergency Plan
- Homeless Priority Allocation
- Causes of Homelessness analysis
- Social Housing Lettings
- Private Rented Accommodation
- Homeless Housing Assistant Payment (HAP)
- Fall off in Exits
- Support Services – Placefinders & Support to Live Independently (SLI)
- Security of Tenure
- Eviction Embargo removal and implications
- Sufficient Bed Capacity
- Termination Notice
- Rental Tenancies Board (RTB)
- Self-Accommodation
- Transfers from state institutions into homelessness
- Housing Pathway

Agreed : Update noted

iii. New Anti-Social Policy Update

Alice Simington, Senior Executive Officer provided members with a presentation to expand on the report provided. The presentation detailed consultation, literature review, focus of the new strategy, Local Authority and community safety. Presentation covered areas such as Local Authority powers to tackle anti-social behaviour, legal powers and the courts process as well as prevention and early intervention in Estate Management.

Agreed : Special meeting to be convened to discuss ASB policy

- iv. Report on Housing For All Plan

Agreed : Update noted

- v. Phase II of the insulation programme update

Shane Hawkshaw, Senior Executive Engineer provided members with a presentation to expand on the report provided. Information was provided on the Boiler Replacement Programme, Better Energy Community Schemes Programme and the Energy Efficiency Programme and challenges involved.

Agreed : Post meeting, members agreed that the January Housing SPC meeting shall cover topics not completed at the December meeting.

- vi. Construction Cost Analysis Update

Agreed : N/A

5. Update on Working Groups

- i. LTACC Update

Agreed : Update noted

- ii. Public Housing Working Group

Agreed : N/A

- iii. Senior Citizens Working Group

Agreed : N/A

- iv. Special Committee on Homelessness

Agreed : N/A

- v. Oversight Committee on Animal Welfare Issues

Agreed : N/A

6. AOB